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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Education
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1   A bill to be entitled

2   An act relating to district and school advisory

3   councils; amending s. 1001.452, F.S.; requiring

4   that each council adopt bylaws providing

5   certain requirements for a quorum when the

6   council votes on a plan for expending funds

7   under the Florida School Recognition Program;

8   providing a procedure for proposing a plan to

9   expend such funds; requiring that the council

10   hold a public meeting on the plan; requiring

11   that notice of the meeting be provided to the

12   school community; amending s. 1008.36, F.S.;

13   requiring that the school advisory council

14   solely determine the plan for expending funds;

15   providing an effective date.

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17   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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19   Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section

20   1001.452, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

21   1001.452 District and school advisory councils.--

22   (1) ESTABLISHMENT.--

23   (d) Each school advisory council shall adopt bylaws

24   establishing procedures for:

25   1. Requiring a quorum to be present before a vote may

26   be taken by the school advisory council. A majority of the

27   membership of the council constitutes a quorum. However, in

28   order for an advisory council to vote on a plan for expending

29   funds under s. 1008.36, a majority of the members who are

30   teachers, a majority of the members who are education support

31   employees, a majority of the members who are students, and a

1 majority of the members who are parents must be present. The

2 plan may be approved or disapproved by a simple majority vote

3 if such members are present.

4   2.   Requiring at least 3 days' advance notice in

5 writing to all members of the advisory council of any matter

6 that is scheduled to come before the council for a vote.

7   3.   Scheduling meetings when parents, students,

8 teachers, businesspersons, and members of the community can

9 attend.

10   4.   Replacing any member who has two unexcused

11 consecutive absences from a school advisory council meeting

12 that is noticed according to the procedures in the bylaws.

13   5.   Recording minutes of meetings.

14   6.   Allowing any teacher, education support employee,

15 parent, student, or volunteer to propose a plan for expending

16 funds under s. 1008.36. The advisory council must provide

17 reasonable notice to the school community of the opportunity

18 to make a proposal. The advisory council must hold a public

19 meeting for the purpose of reviewing and discussing all

20 proposals and must provide reasonable notice of the meeting to

21 all school employees, parents of students enrolled in the

22 school, and school volunteers.

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24 The district school board may review all proposed bylaws of a

25 school advisory council and shall maintain a record of minutes

26 of council meetings.

27   Section 2.   Subsection (4) of section 1008.36, Florida

28 Statutes, is amended to read:

29   1008.36   Florida School Recognition Program.--

30   (4)   All selected schools shall receive financial

31 awards depending on the availability of funds appropriated and

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1 the number and size of schools selected to receive an award.

2 Funds must be distributed to the school's fiscal agent and

3 placed in the school's account and must be used for purposes

4 listed in subsection (5) as determined ~~jointly~~ by the ~~school's~~

5 ~~staff and~~ school advisory council as provided in s. 1001.452.

6 ~~If school staff and the school advisory council cannot reach~~

7 ~~agreement by November 1, the awards must be equally~~

8 ~~distributed to all classroom teachers currently teaching in~~

9 ~~the school.~~

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11 Notwithstanding statutory provisions to the contrary,

12 incentive awards are not subject to collective bargaining.

13   Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a

14 law.

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